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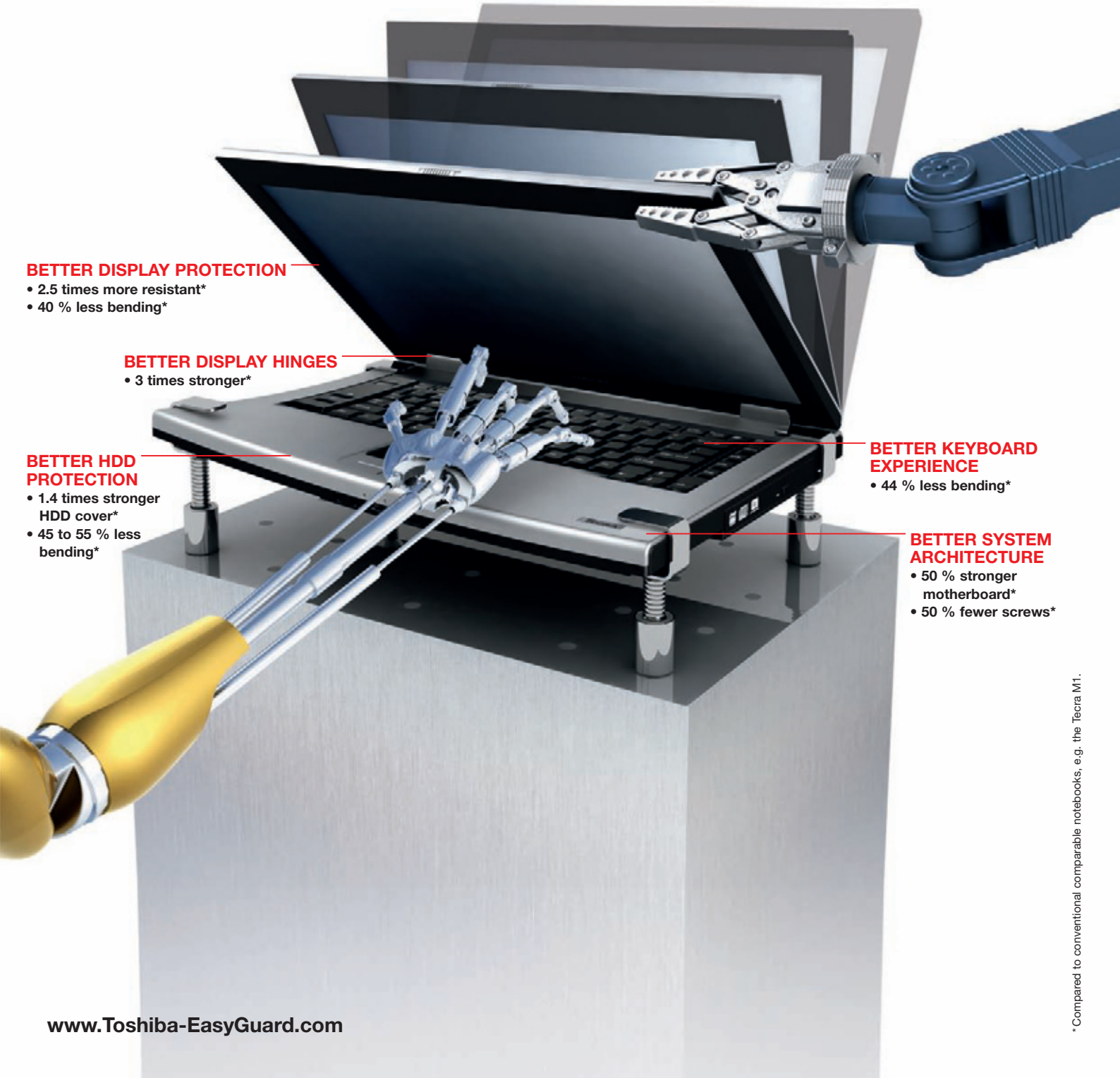

BETTER DISPLAY PROTECTION
- 2.5 times more resistant*
- 40 % less bending*

BETTER DISPLAY HINGES
- 3 times stronger*

BETTER HDD PROTECTION
- 1.4 times stronger HDD cover*
- 45 to 55 % less bending*

BETTER KEYBOARD EXPERIENCE
- 44 % less bending*

BETTER SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE
- 50 % stronger motherboard*
- 50 % fewer screws*

*Compared to conventional comparable notebooks, e.g. the Tecra M1.

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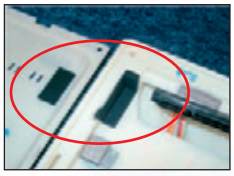
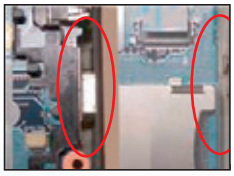
Toshiba EasyGuard
– carefree mobile computing

Toshiba EasyGuard is the better way to enhanced data security, advanced system protection and easy connectivity. With the release of enhanced Toshiba EasyGuard features, Toshiba continues to demonstrate its commitment to delivering the most innovative technologies and highest quality notebooks.

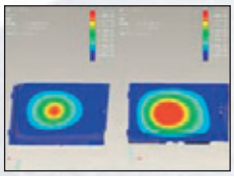
Toshiba EasyGuard enhancements at a glance

HDD protection
The increased size and thickness of the HDD dome protection means that the case is now 1.44 times stronger, resulting in 45 to 55 % less HDD bending.*





Shock protector
Bumper mechanisms buffer the notebook against the shock caused by a drop or accidental fall.



HDD shock absorption
Encased in rubber shock absorption material, the HDD is protected against shocks and vibrations.

70 cm drop test
All four notebook sides (4x) have been drop-tested at 70 cm desk height and verified by TÜV.

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3D accelerometer
The 3D accelerometer detects when the notebook is suddenly moved or dropped and quickly parks the HDD in order to safeguard user data.

Spill-resistant keyboard
Gives users enough time to save their data and shutdown the notebook in the event of an accidental spill.

FL-inverter protection
Shock absorption material protects the FL-inverter against shock for optimal LCD performance.

Serviceability
The improved product design includes 50 % fewer screws, resulting in a more stable platform, improved serviceability and easier upgrades. For instance, HDD removal now only requires 2 screws.*

*Compared to conventional comparable notebooks, e.g. the Tecra M1.

Putting quality first for carefree mobility

Quality shines through when every aspect and detail of a product are carefully designed, engineered, tested and manufactured to deliver optimal performance.

High-quality notebooks benefit end users, the IT department and the business as a whole. Implementing best quality notebooks helps:

- end users and IT staff benefit from fewer hardware failures for better overall business efficiency and productivity
- companies benefit from the reduction of IT costs associated with fewer IT service calls and repairs
- clients, users and companies benefit because critical data is better protected

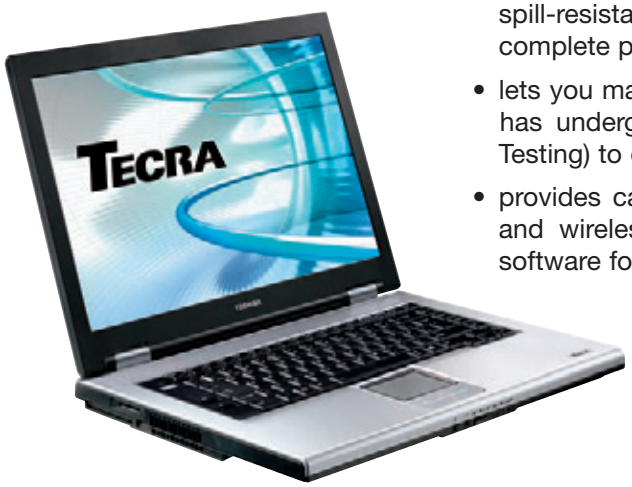
Overall, quality means that the business gains maximum overall working and operational efficiencies so that it can focus on customer satisfaction and increased profitability. The new Tecra A8 is a showcase example of Toshiba's commitment to meeting the most demanding quality standards for best business performance.

The Tecra A8 – quality means best business performance

The Tecra A8 is a uniquely dependable professional notebook, engineered for unprecedented reliability and productivity. The extremely durable chassis design includes improvements that make the Tecra A8 significantly more resistant to the pressures of working life.

The Tecra A8 delivers best quality for carefree mobility because it…

- comprises enhanced Toshiba EasyGuard features and product design improvements, including protection of HDD and LCD as well as a stronger LCD display hinge and a more robust keyboard
- offers impressive business performance with powerful Intel® Centrino® Duo mobile technology, a large 15.4" WXGA widescreen display and one-touch docking capability
- withstands daily business challenges, thanks to a stronger chassis, spill-resistant keyboard and attractive optional warranty packages for complete peace of mind
- lets you make the most of your investment with a notebook design that has undergone intensive testing using HALT (Highly Accelerated Life Testing) to ensure long-term reliability
- provides carefree mobility with a reliable combination of built-in wired and wireless network technologies as well as Toshiba ConfigFree™ software for easy, seamless connectivity.



Improved product design – peace of mind

Business life is tough. To respond quickly to customers, liaise effectively with teams and remain competitive, professionals require seamless access to applications and real-time data.

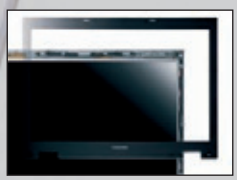
Maximising uptime is essential for optimal business efficiency. Whether one is a corridor warrior dashing down the hall to a meeting or a road warrior who takes the notebook anywhere and everywhere, a notebook that delivers top quality performance and durability is essential.

That's why the new Tecra A8 is tougher. Built to withstand shocks, falls, spills, accidents and other risks associated with mobility, it is an exceptionally durable notebook that is more resistant to the wear and tear of daily mobile usage.

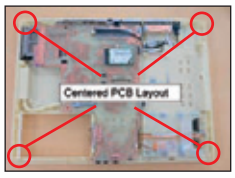
Improved product design features at a glance

Display hinges
With a 15 to 33 % larger diameter, the notebook hinges are 3 times stronger for increased durability and reduced risk of breakage.*

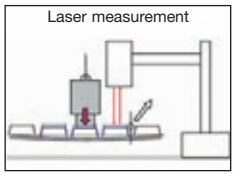
Display panel protection
The edges of the display are protected by a durable metal plate and shock absorption material for greater durability.



Display casing protection
Display casing materials provide 2.5 times stronger protection and 40 % less bending of the casing occurs for greater LCD panel protection and reduced risk of breakage.*

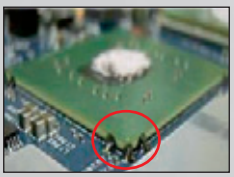


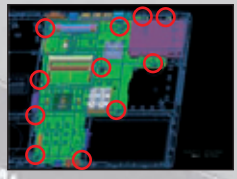
PCB (Printed Circuit Board) layout
To protect system components against the damaging effects of shocks, the motherboard is centred in the chassis.



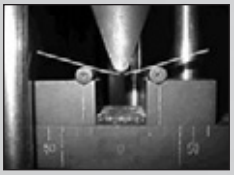
Keyboard experience
Laser measurements prove that 40 % less bending occurs for enhanced keyboard usability and a more convenient typing experience.*

Chip implementation
The Ball Grid Array (BGA) chip on the system board is fixed by extremely strong glue for increased resistance against shock and vibration.





System architecture
Important chip components are placed as far as possible from screws to minimise any warming effect on the screws and reduce vibration of circuit boards as much as possible.



Motherboard design
The motherboard is 13 % thicker and 50 % stronger resulting in 50 % less bending, which translates to fewer chip failures related to bending stress.*

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HALT testing – increased reliability

The design of the Tecra A8 has been optimised using HALT (Highly Accelerated Life Testing) to achieve improved reliability and a longer service life.

HALT entails a combination of technical stress tests which include extreme heat variation and testing for resistance to shocks and repetitive vibrations. These tests simulate heavy notebook usage during the product life cycle.

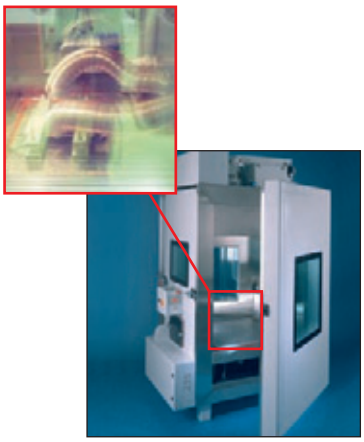
Running two sets of HALT tests with 6 cycles per set, Toshiba estimates that the notebook endures challenges that simulate three years of typical mobile usage.

Benefits of HALT

HALT testing is an essential part of the product development process because it allows Toshiba to identify and correct any weaknesses in areas for notebook design improvement. The result is a notebook of the highest quality standards.

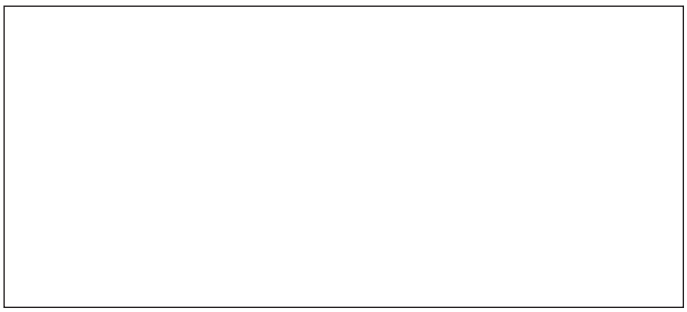
Typical improvements entail:

- soldering weak points
- tightening loose screws
- fixing weak harness areas
- correcting weak connector joints
- replacing bad components



Typical tests run during HALT

Rigorous testing methods are used to ensure quality. The notebook is subjected to 10 minutes of testing in extremely cold environmental conditions of –25 degrees Celsius, followed by 10 minutes of extreme heat at 70 degrees Celsius. Simultaneously, stress testing of 45G pressure accompanies these extreme environmental tests. Six alternating cycles of this entire stress testing process are run to ensure that the notebook can withstand major mobility challenges.



The new Toshiba Shock Protection System provides your notebook with higher impact protection and reliability for key hardware components, delivered in an elegant and compact design. Spill-resistant keyboard concept helps safeguard the notebook from certain low-volume spills and gives users several minutes to close any open files and turn off the machine. *Two sample units of the Portégé M300 notebooks were tested in January 2005 by TÜV Rheinland and passed the specific tests. The detailed test results can be found in the test report nr. 21117407_002 or watch the videos - visit: www.Toshiba-EasyGuard.com

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